

KY PLAN FOR EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

1999 DEGREE PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

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Information:

Pursuant to KRS 164.020(18), the Council on Postsecondary Education can receive new academic program proposals during calendar year 1999 from 18 of 22 postsecondary education institutions – either through automatic eligibility or the waiver process as provided in 13 KAR 2:060, *Policy on Degree Program Approval; Equal Opportunity Goals*.

In accordance with 13 KAR 2:060, an institution that fails to make the necessary progress to gain automatic eligibility is eligible for a one-year waiver. HB 1, enacted in the 1997 Special Session of the General Assembly, made the Kentucky Tech System a part of the postsecondary education system. The KY Tech institutions are not part of *The 1997-2002 Kentucky Plan for Equal Opportunities* and are not yet included in the evaluation.

The Committee on Equal Opportunities oversees the implementation of *The Kentucky Plan*. Administrative regulation 13 KAR 2:060 sets forth the procedures to be used to determine institutional status (eligible to submit or postpone approval). The administrative regulation lists the degree program eligibility status that may result from data analysis.

The process for evaluating institutional progress in implementing the various objectives of *The Kentucky Plan* was revised to reflect the method employed by the Council in accountability reporting. The evaluation method adopted is “continuous progress” as the determining element of institutional success in implementing each specific measurable objective. Continuous progress means that an institution shows an increase in the number of students or employees over the previous year for each category or objectives.

At the July 21, 1997, meeting, the Council adopted *The 1997-2002 Kentucky Plan for Equal Opportunities in Postsecondary Education*. The plan is intended to provide oversight and to guide equal opportunity initiatives over the next five years. When the plan was adopted, the CEO and the Council agreed that, for purposes of establishing degree program eligibility status, the Council staff would evaluate and provide a report certifying institutional progress at the January Council meeting.

SUMMARY OF ELIGIBILITY STATUS

Eligibility Category	Community Colleges		Universities		Total	
	1999	1998	1999	1998	1999	1998
Automatic	5	7	5	5	10	12
Quantitative Waiver	4	3	2	2	6	5
Qualitative Waiver	1	3	1	0	2	3
Not Eligible	4	1	0	1	4	2
Total	14	14	8	8	22	22
Inst. Granted Waivers		4		1		5

INSTITUTIONAL ELIGIBILITY FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1999

The eligibility status of the institutions is determined through the application of the administrative regulation (13 KAR 2:060). The status of each institution:

COMMUNITY COLLEGES

Institution	Objectives Showing Continuous Progress	Total Objectives Evaluated	Degree Program Eligibility Status	
			1999	1998
Ashland CC	2	4	Not Eligible	<i>Quantitative</i>
Elizabethtown CC	3	4	Automatic	<i>Automatic</i>
Hazard CC	2	4	Quantitative	<i>Automatic</i>
Henderson CC	3	4	Automatic	<i>Automatic</i>
Hopkinsville CC	2	4	Not Eligible	<i>Quantitative</i>
Jefferson CC	3	4	Automatic	<i>Automatic</i>
Lexington CC	4	4	Automatic	<i>Automatic</i>
Madisonville CC	2	4	Quantitative	<i>Automatic</i>
Maysville CC	2	4	Quantitative	<i>Automatic</i>
Owensboro CC	2	4	Not Eligible	<i>Quantitative</i>
Paducah CC	2	4	Quantitative	<i>Qualitative</i>
Prestonsburg CC	2	4	Not Eligible	<i>Qualitative</i>
Somerset CC	1	4	Qualitative	<i>Qualitative</i>
Southeast CC	3	4	Automatic	<i>Not Eligible</i>

Notes:

Community colleges have four equal opportunity objectives.

Automatic eligibility equals continuous progress in 3 of 4 objectives.

Quantitative waiver equals continuous progress in 2 of 4 objectives and no new academic programs submitted to CPE under the waiver provisions during the 1998 calendar year.

Qualitative waiver equals continuous progress in fewer than 2 of 4 objectives and no new academic programs submitted to CPE under the waiver provisions during the 1998 calendar year.

UNIVERSITIES

Institution	Objectives Showing Continuous Progress	Total Objectives Evaluated	Degree Program Eligibility Status	
			1999	1998
Eastern Kentucky Univ.	7	8	Automatic	<i>Automatic</i>
Kentucky State Univ.	5	7	Automatic	<i>Automatic</i>
Morehead State Univ.	6	8	Automatic	<i>Quantitative</i>
Murray State Univ.	6	8	Automatic	<i>Automatic</i>
Northern Kentucky Univ.	5	8	Quantitative	<i>Not Eligible</i>
University of Kentucky	6	8	Automatic	<i>Automatic</i>
University of Louisville	4	8	Qualitative	<i>Quantitative</i>
Western Kentucky Univ.	5	8	Quantitative	<i>Automatic</i>

Notes:

Universities (except Kentucky State University) have eight equal opportunity objectives. Kentucky State University has seven objectives (the objective related to Enrollment of Graduate Students does not apply to KSU).

Automatic eligibility equals continuous progress in 6 of 8 objectives. KSU is 5 of 7 objectives.

Quantitative waiver equals continuous progress in 5 of 8 objectives and no new academic programs granted by CPE under the waiver provisions during calendar year 1998. KSU is 4 of 7 objectives.

Qualitative waiver equals continuous progress in fewer than 5 of 8 objectives and no new academic programs granted by CPE under the waiver provisions during calendar year 1998. KSU is 4 of 7 objectives.